



**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Richter, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/811,166  
For: BAND CLAMP  
Filed: March 26, 2004  
Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody  
Art Unit: 3679  
Confirmation No.: 2003  
Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 1825.005USX

**Mail Stop RCE  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the communication dated October 4, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$\_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	36	Minus	33	3	x \$50.00	\$150.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	0	x \$200.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$360.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

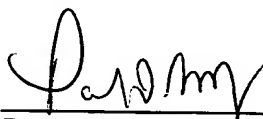
The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 150.00 .

X A check in the amount of \$ 150.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

January 4, 2006

Date



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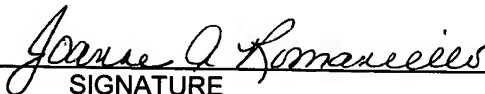
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2005, Applicants respond as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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